

January 2019

Lori Parham
State Director, AARP Maine

Dear Ms. Parham,

On behalf of the Town of Windham, I am pleased to offer this letter of our support to creating an age-friendly environment and request membership to the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities. Windham recognizes the importance of age friendly planning and policies and is committed to a process that will support residents in our town.

Our initiative is citizen driven and was brought forward by our Human Services Advisory Committee to the Town Council. The needs of our 50+ aged residents were identified as one of the top issues in our town in a 2014 survey of our community. We are also in the process of planning a new community center and outdoor recreation park and want to know what the needs of residents are of any age. The Town Council looks forward to reviewing an assessment and developing an action plan to address the needs identified. We are committed to an open public process where all residents of Windham can participate and work together to achieve our goals.

Thank you for your consideration of our membership application.

Sincerely,

Clayton Haskell
Chairman, Windham Town Council

cc. Donald Gerrish, Interim Town Manager
Deborah McAfee, Human Services Advisory Committee